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Inventor Name(s):
CLIFFORD E. COTTON, III

Title:
APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ADJUSTING THE PRE-LOAD OF A SPRING

- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form Attached in Duplicate
- ☒ Specification and Claim(s) [Total Pages]
- ☒ Drawing(s) [Total Sheets]
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- ☒ Newly Executed (Original or Copy)
- ☐ Copy From Prior Application (37 CFR § 1.63(d))
- ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s) (37 CFR § 1.63(d)(2))
(Signed Statement Attached)
- ☒ Assignment Papers (Cover Sheet and Document(s))
- ☐ 37 CFR § 3.73(b) Statement (if applicable) ☐ Power of Attorney
- ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
- ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (Specifically Itemized)
- ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
- ☐ Other

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☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP)

of prior Application No.: _____ ;

Examiner : _____ ; and

Group/Art Unit: _____ .

☐ Cancel Claims: _____

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Application Number	(Unassigned)
Filing Date	(Herewith)
First Named Inventor	CLIFFORD E. COTTON, III
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Group Art Unit	(Unassigned)
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METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number 03-1129
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- ☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17
☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☐ Payment Enclosed:

☐ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101 710	201 355	Utility filing fee	710
106 320	206 160	Design filing fee	
107 490	207 245	Plant filing fee	
108 710	208 355	Reissue filing fee	
114 150	214 75	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)			710

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims 19 -20** = 0 x Fee from below 18 = 0
Independent Claims 6 -3** = 3 x 80 = 240
Multiple Dependent =

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 240

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116 390	216 195	Extension for reply within second month	
117 890	217 445	Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,390	218 695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,890	228 945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 310	219 155	Notice of Appeal	
120 310	220 155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 270	221 135	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,240	241 620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,240	242 620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 440	243 220	Design issue fee	
144 600	244 300	Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126 240	126 240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146 710	246 355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 710	249 355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 710	279 355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169 900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify)			
* Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid			
SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)			0

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